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COUNCIL AGENDA:

November 15, 2005

TO:

City Council

VIA:

Dennis R. Halloway, City Manager

FROM:

T. Jarb Thaipejr, Public Works Director/City Engineer

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SUBJECT:

Award Contract for Professional Services to Prepare Plans and Specifications for Drilling the New Bennett Well. (CIP 05-614)

## **RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the City Council award the contract for professional services to prepare the plans and specifications for drilling the Bennett Well to Geoscience Support Services, Inc. of Claremont in the amount of \$87,508 and authorize a contingency allocation of \$9,000.

## **BACKGROUND:**

The City acquired the Bennett Well site from the City of San Bernardino last year. The existing well, which had been unused for several years, was examined and tested for potable water usage. It was determined to be unacceptable in its current condition. Staff then wrote a "Request for Proposal" to solicit specialized assistance in preparing the necessary documents to destroy the existing well and drill a new one. The request was sent to five qualified firms with three responding. The workloads of two companies' prevented them from submitting a proposal.

## **ANALYSIS:**

One proposal, from Geoscience Support Services, Inc. of Claremont, was submitted. This company has extensive knowledge of the area and water basin. They are well qualified for performing this type of work and have completed similar projects for numerous local agencies. Additionally, they have been recommended by Carollo Engineers, the consultant assisting the City with the Lockheed Martin water mitigation issues. Their proposal appears to be inclusive of the items necessary to competitively bid for construction to bring a quality production water well online.

## FINANCIAL IMPACT:

Funding will be provided from Account 65-7010-8250, \$690,000, Drill Bennett Well.